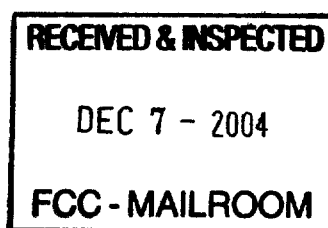


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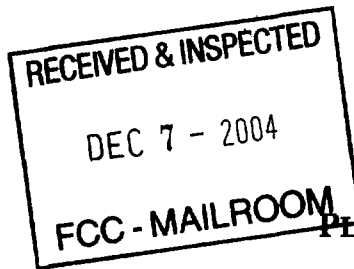
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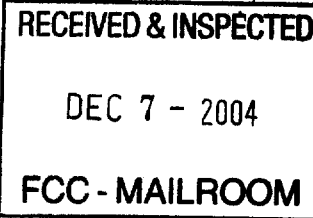
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Re: *CC Docket 02-6 - Request for Extension of Time*

To whom it may concern:

I have recently been retained by the Tiospa Zina Tribal School to pursue an appeal of an adverse decision issued by the Schools and Libraries Division ("SLD"). The School had difficulty locating an attorney with expertise in the legal issues analyzed by the SLD, namely tribal preference and whether such a preference ensures that price is the primary factor considered. Due to this difficulty, the School's appeal is untimely because failure to meet the sixty day filing requirement result in automatic dismissal.

Having reviewed the file, I believe there exists sufficient basis to further examine the legal and factual issues involved, especially the SLD's misunderstanding of how Tribal preference affects the School's consideration of price as the primary factor. I do consider myself an expert on Tribal or Indian preference and how that preference operates under Federal and Tribal law. I have taught law school courses on this subject and litigated several cases involving these complex questions. Therefore, I respectfully request a reasonable extension of time to submit an appeal on behalf of the School.

The appeal pertains to billed entity number 66032; 471 application number 319420; and funding request numbers 846378, 846776, 847041, 847147, 847371, and 847469. If you have any questions or comments, please contact me. Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: Dr. Roger Bordeaux, Superintendent

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